6/11/23 - Sit Me Down and Explain the Bible Pt. 1 How to Understand the Bible

- A. How to Understand the Bible
 - 1. You must be born again (1 Cor 2:14; Prov 1:7,28-29; 9:10; 15:33; 14:27)
 - 2. You must value and seek knowledge like it is a pirate's treasure (Heb 5:11; Prov 2:1-5; Luke 4:4)
 - 3. You must study the Bible (Josh 1:8; Psalm 119:99)
 - 4. You and others must pray that God would enlighten you because ultimately it's up to God (James 1:5-8; Eph 1:15-19; Col 1:9)
 - 5. Your goal must be to serve the Lord (Col 1:10-12)
 - 6. You must choose your teachers wisely (2 Tim 4:3-4)
- B. <u>The Bible Has One Author and about 40 Writers</u> (2 Peter 1:20; 2 Tim 3:16-17; Mark 12:19; Rom 4:6; Neh 1:1; Jer 1:1; 1 Cor 1:1-2; 1 Peter 1:1)
- C. <u>The Goal of the Author Is to Glorify Himself</u> (Rom 11:36; Isaiah 48:11; 43:6-7; 60:21; Rev 4:11)